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Shetty et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1651
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Serial No. 10/026,753	)	Examiner: Prats, Francisco Chandler
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Filed: December 19, 2001	)	
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For: A Process for Hydrolyzing Starch	)	
Without pH Adjustment	)	

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 26, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated December 21, 2005. Reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application is respectfully requested in light of the following Amendments and Remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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